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# NOTICE OF ELECTION 2009 MEMBER-AT-LARGE BOARD ELECTION

Eligible active and retired members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries) of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) will have an opportunity this year to elect two representatives for the CalPERS Board of Administration. The terms of the incumbents, Charles Valdes and Kurato Shimada, will expire on January 15, 2010. The new term of office will begin January 16, 2010, and run through January 15, 2014. Charles Valdes has declared his intention not to be a candidate for reelection. Kurato Shimada has declared his intention to be a candidate for reelection. The Political Reform Act (at Government Code section 81000 et seq.) requires candidates (as that term is used in the Political Reform Act) for the position of elective CalPERS Board member to file campaign statements of contributions and expenditures with the Secretary of State, among other things. Forms required under the Political Reform Act will be distributed to nominees as part of the nomination forms package, but nominees are strongly encouraged to contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for a full understanding of their legal obligations under the Political Reform Act. For more information, contact the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) in Sacramento at (916) 322-5660 or toll-free at (866) 275-3772. See also www.fppc.ca.gov. Persons interested in obtaining the CalPERS Board election regulations should contact the Board Elections Office at the telephone numbers listed at the top of the page.

#### PROCEDURES FOR BECOMING A CANDIDATE

**Eligibility**—An eligible active CalPERS member may be nominated if the active member is currently employed by a CalPERS-covered agency on the date of this Notice. An eligible retired CalPERS member may be nominated if the retired member's effective date of retirement is on or before the date of this Notice, and the retiree will be a resident of the State of California during his or her term of office.

Nomination—Each candidate must submit a Nomination Petition form (CalPERS-BRD-74), either Nomination Petition Position A (currently held by Charles Valdes), or Nomination Petition Position B (currently held by Kurato Shimada), which is endorsed by at least 250 active and/or retired members of CalPERS (excluding survivors and beneficiaries). Only one Nomination Petition for Position A or Position B may be submitted by a candidate. ONLY Nomination Petitions which are supplied by CalPERS or copies of that form will be acceptable. Nomination Petitions are available through the Board Elections Office at the above CalPERS office address or phone number, and on CalPERS' web site at <a href="https://www.calpers.ca.gov">www.calpers.ca.gov</a>. All Nomination Petitions containing original signatures (no photocopied, faxed, or otherwise reproduced petitions) must be received at the above CalPERS office address in Sacramento no later than the May 14, 2009, 5:00 p.m. deadline. Candidates are encouraged to return completed Nomination Petitions prior to the May 14, 2009 deadline.

In the event an incumbent who declares intention to run for reelection in this Notice of Election does **not** submit a Nomination Petition form by the May 14, 2009, 5:00 p.m. deadline, the nomination period for that position **only** would be extended as provided by law to May 26, 2009. Notification of this nomination period extension shall be made on the Board Elections phone numbers listed above, and CalPERS' website at **www.calpers.ca.gov**. If the nomination period for a position is extended, all Nomination Petitions for that position containing original signatures must be received at the above CalPERS office address in Sacramento no later than May 26, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.

### **Nomination Petition Requirements-**

- 1. The Petition will include the following information about the nominee:
- a. First name, middle initial, last name; the **last name** will be used to **verify** membership against CalPERS' database;
- Last four numbers of the Social Security Number which will be used to verify membership against CalPERS' database;
- Agency where currently employed or employed at retirement;
- d. Address, telephone number, e-mail address and fax number;
- e. Signature of nominee consenting to nomination.

- The Petition must contain original signatures, endorsed by at least two hundred and fifty (250) active and/or retired CalPERS members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries) which includes:
- a. Clearly printed or typewritten name of each member;
   the last name will be used to verify membership against CalPERS' database;
- b. Clearly printed last four numbers of the Social Security Number which will be used to verify membership against CalPERS' database; and,
- c. Signature of each member beneath the printed or typewritten name, endorsing the nominee.

**Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation and Candidate Statement Forms**—The Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation and Candidate Statement forms will be provided to the nominee with the Nomination Petition when requested by phone or correspondence through the Board Elections Office, or the forms are available on CalPERS' web site at **www.calpers.ca.gov**. The nominee will be notified by phone as to whether or not the eligibility and nomination petition requirements have been met.

Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation Form—Each nominee must certify on a form provided by CalPERS that he/she accepts the nomination upon CalPERS determination that the nominee is a qualified candidate, and consents to serve if elected by a majority vote, 50 percent of votes cast plus one vote. Nominees must return the original Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation Form, which must be received at the above CalPERS office address in Sacramento no later than the May 14, 2009, 5:00 p.m. deadline. A candidate who decides to withdraw candidacy after submitting his/her certified Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation Form must notify the CalPERS Election Coordinator by phone and follow-up in writing within ten (10) working days following the nomination acceptance deadline date in order to have his/her name removed from the ballot and Candidate Statements Booklet.

Candidate Statement Form—Each nominee may submit a candidate statement of no more than 200 words. The Candidate Statement Form is to be submitted with the Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation Form, which must be received at the above CalPERS office address in Sacramento no later than the May 14, 2009, 5:00 p.m. deadline. Nominees are encouraged to return completed forms prior to the May 14, 2009, deadline.

Addendum to Candidate Statement—Following the distribution of all the draft candidate statements for Position A to all the candidates of that contest, and the distribution of all the draft candidate statements for Position B to all candidates of that contest, a candidate may submit an addendum of no more than 100 words. The 100 word addendum is in addition to the initial 200 word candidate statement. The addendum must be received at the above CalPERS office address in Sacramento no later than 10 calendar days following the distribution of the draft candidate statements to candidates. Thereafter, all the draft candidate statements plus addenda will be provided to all the candidates in their respective contest. The final candidate statements plus addenda will be distributed with the ballot.

## **VOTER ELIGIBILITY**

CalPERS members active as of July 1, 2009 are eligible to vote in this election. Retired members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries) whose effective date of retirement is on or before July 1, 2009 are eligible to vote in this election. If a runoff election is needed, CalPERS members active as of October 1, 2009 are eligible to vote in the runoff election. Retired members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries) whose effective date of retirement is on or before October 1, 2009 are eligible to vote in this runoff election.

#### **ELECTION SCHEDULE**

DEADLINE	ACTION
May 1, 2009	Deadline for agencies to appoint an Agency Election Officer to post & disseminate the Notice of Election, and in September & October, and in November & December (in case of a runoff election), to promptly distribute ballots to identified eligible active members who did not receive their ballot through CalPERS' direct mailing process.
May 14, 2009	Deadline for CalPERS' receipt of Nomination Petitions from Position A and Position B nominees.
May 14, 2009	Deadline for CalPERS' receipt of the Nomination Acceptance/Ballot Designation and Candidate Statement forms. Thereafter, addenda to the candidate statements, if any, must be filed within 10 calendar days following the distribution of the draft candidate statements to all candidates.
June 4, 2009	Random drawing for the order of candidate names on Position A and Position B ballots.
September 4, 2009	Ballots mailed directly to eligible active and retired members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries). Election material and ballots, undeliverable through CalPERS' direct mailing process will be mailed to agencies for prompt distribution to identified active members.
September 18, 2009	Agency Election Officer distributes all ballot packages to identified eligible active members, <b>certifies</b> to the delivery of ballots on a form provided by the System, and returns the certified form by this date. Eligible members not receiving a ballot by this date should contact the Board Elections Office at the phone number on the reverse side.
October 2, 2009	Voted ballots must be postmarked or received by CalPERS in the postage paid envelope, or another comparable envelope, on or before this date to be counted. For comparable envelopes, the words "CalPERS Ballots Enclosed" should be boldly printed on the outside of the envelope. The reverse side of the postage paid envelope or comparable envelope <b>MUST BE SIGNED</b> by the member who voted the enclosed ballot certifying under penalty of perjury that the member is eligible to participate in the election and that the member personally voted the enclosed ballot and sealed it in the envelope.
October 5, 2009	Beginning the morning of October 5, 2009, at the location designated by CalPERS, the sealed, signed envelopes containing the voted ballots will be opened and the ballots removed. Thereafter, the ballots will be tabulated. The candidate having the majority vote, 50% of votes cast plus one vote, on each ballot, Position A and Position B, will be certified by the Secretary of State, as having been elected.
November 9, 2009	If a runoff election is needed for Position A and/or Position B, then runoff ballots will be mailed directly to eligible active and retired members (excluding survivors and beneficiaries). Election material and runoff ballots, undeliverable through CalPERS' direct mailing process will be mailed to agencies for prompt distribution to identified active members.
November 23, 2009	Agency Election Officer distributes all runoff ballot packages to identified eligible active members, <b>certifies</b> to the delivery of runoff ballots on a form provided by the System, and returns the certified form by this date. Eligible members not receiving a runoff ballot by this date should contact the Board Elections Office at the phone number on the reverse side.
December 4, 2009	Voted runoff ballots must be postmarked or received by CalPERS on or before this date. Runoff ballots are subject to the same procedures described above for October 2, 2009.
December 7, 2009	Beginning the morning of December 7, 2009, at the location designated by CalPERS, the sealed, signed envelopes containing the voted runoff ballots will be opened and the ballots removed. Thereafter, the runoff ballots will be tabulated. The candidate(s) receiving a majority vote on Position A and/or Position B, 50% of votes cast plus one vote, will be certified by the Secretary of State, as having been elected.
January 16, 2010	The newly elected Board members will be seated on the CalPERS Board of Administration in accordance with the Public Employees' Retirement Law, Government Code section 20095. The new term of office begins January 16, 2010 and ends January 15, 2014.

For questions, general information, nomination petitions, a ballot, or CalPERS Board election regulations, contact the Board Elections Office through the automated phone system at the phone numbers on the reverse side or write to the Board Elections Office at the mailing address on the reverse side.